REAL WORK BEGINS IN ASSEMBLY TO-DAY

Chief Problems Before the Body to be Taken Up by Committees This Week

NEW RECORD MADE FOR PROMPTNESS

Members Are Losing No Time Getting Down to Business and Are Not Disposed to Waste Words on Unimportant

Matters-Review of Some Legislation.

Important Hearings Arranged for Week

Hearing on bills relating to work-ig of convicts on public ronds be-ore House Committee on Ronds at

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Under the old Constitution, when the General Assembly met in December, the Christmas recess broke the continuity of the work and the reassembling after the holidays was slow and painful. Though the allotted time of the Session was thirty days longer than it is now, the actual working time was very fittle more.

Besides, the creation of the State Corporation Commission, with its extensive powers and jurisdiction, has relieved the Legislature of much work that was burdensome. At the same time, the new Constitution made it necessary to pass general laws upon subjects that could formerly be settled by local measures. The result is a greater difficulty of adjustment. A proposition, which, if applicable to only one county or city, would go through without opposition, might, if it affected all the countles and cities, raise great opposition, which, if applicable to only one county on the countles and cities, raise great opposition, made in the kinds of its business, in population, in the volume of its taxation, and in progress along social, industrial and educational lines. As a consequence, the demand for legislation to meet these changing conditions is growing also, and will continue to grow in geometrical progression.

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It is obvious that legislation is an evolution. The statute books of any State or county are a fairly good index of the characters and intelligence of its people.

The Massachusetts statute of Colonial times, which provided for borins through the pongue with a red-hot iron as a punishment for speaking irreventity of the canonical Scripture prepares one admirably for the witch-burnings at Salem. If the reader compares the present statutes of that ancient Commonwealth with those of that former day, he will see the steps in the march of a great people from superstition and bigotry to enlightenment and freedom of thought.

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Liverpool. The purchase consists of 325 hogsheads and will make a train of 325 hogsheads and will make a

NIGHT WORK TO HURRY CANAL SWANSON REFUSES

YALE SURGEONS TREAT DOG

BLIND MAN SUREST SHOT

ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING

TO BOLT W. J. BRYAN Will Not Take Part in New York Conference to Prevent His Nomination

NO SYMPATHY WITH MOVEMENT

Parker-Belmont-Southern Combination to Meet Thursday, Report Says, to Blast Nebraskan's Boom. Hoke Smith

Declines.

ENGINEER KILLED

wreck occurred on the Central of Georgia Railway near Macon at 2 o'clock this morning, when the passenger train bound for Savannah from Atlanta struck a split switch at the Macon and Athens junction.

The engine was thrown broadside into the ditch, two express cars werewas killed. His colored fireman, John Williams, was painfully hurt. The fireman had jumped, but the engineer remained at his post.

Mail Clerks O'Connor and Burke and the express messenger were shaken

the express messenger were shaken up, but sustained only slight bruises. None of the passengers were injured.

CARNEGIE RELIEF FUND

Sixth Annual Rep., t Shows Distribu-tions of \$216,764.05.

PITTSUIRG. January 19.—The sixth annual report of the Carnegie Relief Fund, applicable to employees of the Carnegie Steel Company and its nine constituent companies, was made public to-night.

During the year 1807 it shows the distribution of \$216.764.95, divided as follows: Accident benefits, \$17,545.15; death benefits, \$130,449; pension allowances, \$68,769.90.

FOREIGNERS FIGHT AND POLACK KILLED

Cut at Souther's Shops.

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GAMBLERS JAILED

RICHMOND, VA., MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 1908.

DOUBLE THE COST

ALABAMA NEGRO LYNCHED

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LOST SINCE BABYHOOD

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Paris in a Fox.

PARIS, January 12.—In an impene-

ANARCHISTS PLOT TO BLOW UP SHIPS

Gathered in Rio Janeiro to Injure American Navy.

THE AUTHORITIES WERE WARNED

Jean Fedher, Chief Conspirator, Has Fled to the Interior, and Fellow-Conspirators Have Also Vanished-Was Known in Washing, ton and Paris.

NO WORD FROM EVANS

BRAXTON IN NEW YORK

Tells Northern People "How Negro Became a Voter."

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., January 19.

"A. Caperton Braxton, president of the Virginia Bar Association, was the speaker to-day at the Usople's Forum, in the New Rochello Theatro, having for his subject "How the Negro Became a Voter."

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Junius Martin, one of the firemen, was rescued from the Young Women's Christian Association rooms about 0 o'clock, almost suffocated from smoke. HUSBAND'S BODY FALLS IN

M. SVIRIDOFF KILLED

BOY OF THREE WON'T LIE

Abandoned, He Hides Identity, as He Promised Mother. CINCINNATI, OHIO, January 19.— "I won't tell! I won't tell you!" is the reply made over and over again by

MOB AFTER NEGROES

OLD NEWSPAPER MAN DEAD

FOUND DEAD IN ROOM

EJECTED PASSENGER WINS

Husband Dies First, and Tender Missives Ave Burled With Him.

READING, PA., January 19.—With his head resting on 300 love letters that he sent to his sweetheart, now his widow, and the letters she sent to him years ago, F. Milton Baer, was burled to-day.

During their courtship they agreed to save each other's letters and that the one who died first should be burled with the letters as a pillow.

While visiting his father-in-low With pneumonia, and in a few days passed away, in his forty-ninth year.

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callty of the Virginia law, and in no way affected the standing of the company, which, he said, was thoroughly solvent. The suit was intended, he said, to permit a small number of security holders to secure a cash appraisal of their stock. No date for a hearing had been set. Mr. Thorna said.

ENTOWBED 46 DAYS. MINERS RESCUED

Great Rejoicing at Mine When Three Men Are Brought to Surface

BURIED ALIVE SINCE DEC. 4TH

Caught by Falling Debris, the Miners Managed to Communicate With Friends by Strik-

ing Upon a Pipe When Rescue Work Was Begun.

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EXPLAINS RECEIVERSHIP

Pocahontas Collieries Company Merely Compiles With Technical Law Polut.

NEW YORK, January 19.—Charles Thorne, first vice-president of the Pocahontas Consolidated Collieries Company, Issued a statement to-night, in which he stated that the recent application at Lynchburg, Va., for a receiver for the company was for the purpose of complying with a technicality of the Virginia law, shd in no way affected the standing of the company was for the purpose of complying with a technicality of the Virginia law, shd in no way affected the standing of the company was for the purpose of complying with a technicality of the Virginia law, shd in no way affected the standing of the company was for the purpose of complying with a characteristic point of the company was for the purpose of complying with a complex to the company was for the purpose of complying with a complex to the company was for the purpose of complying with a complex to the company was for the purpose of complying with a complex to the company was for the purpose of complex to the complex to the

PRESIDENT PRESENTS GOLD SPOON TO NEW YORK BOY

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Killed in Ante Accident.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., January 19.— Rosevelt has sent a gold spoon as a gift to twe-year-old Charles Baldwin, of the youngest of eight children of Police Captain Sylvestor Baldwin, of the Charles Street Station. Captain Baldwin, has known President Rosevelt for many years, and recently visited the was sitting skidded in turning a corner and dashed into a telegraph pole. He died soon refer the accident: